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Joint Resolution

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[S.J. Res. 93]

To designate the month of May 1985 as "Better Hearing and Speech Month".

Whereas more than fifteen million Americans of all ages experience some form of hearing impairment, ranging from mild hearing loss to profound deafness;

Whereas more than ten million Americans of all ages experience some form of speech or language impairment;

Whereas the deaf, hard of hearing, and speech or language impaired have made significant contributions to society in virtually every occupational category and profession;

Whereas those with communication disorders continue to encounter impediments and obstacles which limit their education and employment opportunities; and

Whereas the remaining barriers which prevent the communicatively handicapped from fulfilling their potential must be recognized and eliminated: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the month of May 1985 is designated "Better Hearing and Speech Month" and the President is requested to issue a proclamation calling upon the people of the United States to observe such month with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

Approved June 12, 1985.

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